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Matthew Dam
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Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
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Re: 2021 Industrial Pretreatment Program Audit

Dear Mr. Dam:

On October 5-7, 2021, EPA New England's (EPA) consultant's PG Environmental, conducted an Industrial Pretreatment Program Audit (audit) of the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) Industrial Pretreatment Program. Due to concerns regarding the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and subsequent travel prohibitions and adherence to national health organization guidelines, EPA was not on-site for the audit. However, EPA has communicated with its consultants regarding any findings of the attached report.

The purpose of the audit is to enable EPA to determine the adequacy of the MWRA's pretreatment program as well as its effectiveness in implementing its program. The audit consisted of informed discussions, examination of pretreatment records, and discussions of field techniques. In addition, EPA hopes that the audit provided an opportunity to provide technical assistance on any issues raised. Initially, I would like to thank you and your staff for your assistance during the audit.

As a follow-up to the audit, I am transmitting a copy of the audit report. This report evaluates the major components of MWRA's pretreatment program and sets forth required actions, if applicable, that must be taken to correct issues related to program implementation. In addition, the report may also provide recommendations which may strengthen and enhance MWRA's program.

The findings of the audit, as well as any required and/or recommended actions that need to be taken by MWRA can be found in the Findings Summary Table on page 4. So that any findings outlined in the enclosed audit report are addressed, please submit a written response to this letter, within 90 days, describing any actions, if

applicable, that have been/will be taken in response to each of the required items identified in the Findings Summary Table of the audit report. Included in the response should be a time frame within which each item will be completed.

If you have any questions concerning this letter or about the audit findings, feel free to contact me at (617) 918-1531.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Justin Pimpare".

Justin Pimpare
Regional Pretreatment Coordinator